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Appellants submitted an Appeal Brief on 3/4/2008 which inaccurately stated the claims upon Appeal were 1-10 and 29-30, however as claims 2 and 3 were cancelled claims, the claims upon Appeal should have been 1, 4-10 and 29-30.

Examiner's Answer of 5/22/2008, erroneously restated the Final Rejection of claims 1-10 and 29-30 instead of 1, 4-20 and 29-30. The 35 USC 103 rejection should be over claims 1, 4-10 and 29-30.

On, 1/21/2009, the BPAI returned the Appeal to the examiner stating that the claims listed by the Appellant were improperly listed as 1-10, 29 and 30.

On 1/27/2009, The Patent Appeal Center sent a letter to the Appellant requesting clarification of the rejection to be reviewed on appeal should list the same rejections as those set forth by the examiner.

Appellant's corrected Appeal Brief submitted 2/6/2009 has clarified the record that the claims on Appeal are 1, 4-10 and 29-30.

The Appellants did not argue the claims separately, therefore the Examiner Answer of 5/22/2008 is considered to be a proper response to the claims upon Appeal of 1, 4-10 and 29-30.

The case can be redocketed to the Board of Interferences and Appeals.

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